GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA

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Suicides being committed by Students
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has reviewed the suicides being committed by students in various coaching centres across the country, if so, the details thereof;
(b) whether any enquiry has been conducted regarding the continuous instances of suicides by students at Coaching Centres in Kota, Rajasthan;
(c) if so, the reasons which came to light in this regard along with the steps being taken by the Government to check the suicides; and
(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
(DR. MAHENDRA NATH PANDEY)

(a) to (d): No Madam. Though the Government is concerned about some reports of suicides by students studying in the coaching centres, these institutions are informal arrangements and do not come under the purview of this Ministry. In order to provide support to the students without depending on the coaching system, this Ministry has started the IIT-PAL initiative under which difficult concepts of class 11 and 12 are taught by the professors from IITs. All these lessons would be transmitted through the DTH channels of this Ministry free of cost to all students.
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